

Bicentennial of the Louisiana Purchase Land Survey

The Point of Beginning

October 17, 2015
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Discover how Joseph C. Brown, Prospect Robbins, and their survey teams located the initial point for the land survey of the Louisiana Purchase, two hundred years ago in 1815.

To commemorate this historic event four venues are offering interpretive activities in Lee and Phillips Counties:

Please allow plenty of time to visit all of them!



Mississippi River State Park Visitor Center

- Get event information
- Experience life in an 1815 living history village

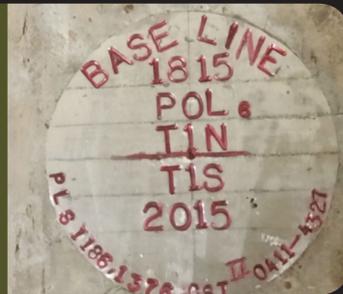


Louisiana Purchase State Park

- Watch living historians recreate the 1922 resurvey of base line
- Reenactment of the 1926 monument dedication

Mississippi River State Park Base Line Trail

- Discover the importance of original surveying field notes
- Make a survey field notebook



Confluence of the St. Francis and Mississippi Rivers

- Living historians portray 19th century surveying practices
- See the Aux Arc, a 40-foot keelboat replica



Modern surveyors and equipment will be present at each location to answer your questions.

The first 200 visitors to have their field note card signed by the Arkansas Society of Professional Surveyor representative at all four venues will receive a free commemorative patch.

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